

ARE INVESTIGATING MT. AUBURN WRECK

Coroner's Jury Looking
Into Responsibility for
Fatal Collision.

OPINIONS ARE
MUCH DIVIDED

Some Experts Hold That Middle
System of Signals Is Essential
to Prevention of Railway
Accidents; Others That
It Is at Least Con-
fusing.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
RALEIGH, N. C., August 10.—All day
there was in progress before Coroner
Charles Sparks the inquiry into the
cause of the fatal collision of passen-
ger train No. 136 and freight, No. 173,
at Auburn, on the Southern Railway,
Tuesday night, in which the engineer
and fireman of the freight and the fire-
man of the passenger train lost their
lives. More than a dozen witnesses
were examined, and the jury was in
conference more than an hour unable
to agree on a verdict as to liability of
any other than conductor and engineer
of the passenger train, who forgot their
orders to meet the freight at Auburn.
While Engineer Rippey and Conductor
Oakley, of the passenger train, admit
that they forgot the Auburn meet-
ing orders, the course of the investi-
gation led up to a purpose of fixing
some responsibility because "middle
order" system of station signals was
not used.

State Treasurer R. B. Lacey, and a
number of other experienced railroad
men testified that in their opinion this
system was essential to the safe op-
eration of the railroads. Chief Train
Dispatcher B. P. Ketchum, of the Southern, testified that
in his opinion the "middle order" sys-
tem would only divide responsibility
and tend to increase danger through
the engineer and conductor coming to
depend on the signal at the station,
rather than the orders they carried in
their pockets, and on this division
there are so many points that trains
must pass where there are neither op-
erators nor stations. The habit of de-
pending on signals at some stations
and not at others would breed con-
fusion.

No "Stop" Signal.

Conductor Oakley, of the passenger
train, who told of the accident, and
of the orders he and the engineer had
to meet the freight at Auburn, said also
that there was no "stop" signal dis-
played at Auburn, intimating that had
there been one the possibility of an
accident would have been eliminated.

Captain Witherspoon, of Greensboro,
testified as to the high standing of
Conductor Oakley and Engineer Rippey,
and expressed the opinion that the
"middle order" system is essential for
the safety of railroad service.

John W. Massey, agent at Clayton,
told of delivering orders to the con-
ductor and engineer of the ill-fated
train to meet the freight train at
Auburn. Conductor T. S. Neal, of the
freight, repeated the orders he received
to pass at Auburn and expressed the
opinion that the freight was running
about twenty miles an hour and the
passenger twenty-seven miles an hour,
when the collision occurred. James W.
Allison, operator at Raleigh, testified
to the orders for the freight and pas-
senger trains to meet at Auburn, and
that so far as he knew the "middle
order" system is not in use on this
division of the Southern.

The jury is to meet some time next

week to examine Engineer Rippey, of
the passenger train, and others in the
hope of agreeing on a verdict.

MAN WANTED FOR MURDER
MAY HAVE BEEN ARRESTED.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., August 10.—
Chief of Police of Columbus, O., wired
to-day asking if a white man named
Pink Fulton, was wanted here for mur-
der. Chief of Police Thomas replied
that Fulton was wanted for the de-
livery of \$200 was offered for the de-
livery of Fulton to the sheriff of
Forsythe, Fulton, while guard at the
convict camp, seven years ago whipped
a boy named Rand Hart unmercifully
for refusing to work. Hart died short-
ly after the whipping and Fulton was
indicted, but he left before the war-
rant could be served.

MINISTER WEDS THEM;
ALSO ENTERTAINS THEM.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BRISTOL, VA., August 10.—It is
eighteen years this month since the
Rev. Alfred Harrison Burroughs in-
augurated his career as a marrying
parson. During this time, as master
of the Bristol United Methodist Church,
he has married a total of 2,320 couples, most
of them being from Virginia and
West Virginia. During the last four
years he has entertained elopers in a
hotel, which he had built for that
purpose, and which is convenient to
the Union Depot.

DESPERATE ATTEMPT TO
ASSASSINATE BANKER.

NEW YORK, August 10.—A desperate at-
tempt was made to take the life of Vincent
Zavatt, an Italian banker, to-day, by
dynamiting his home at Mineola, Long
Island, and shooting at him when he ap-
peared at the window after the explosion.
Mr. Zavatt escaped injury.
The front of the house was practically
wrecked. Mr. Zavatt has recently aided the
county officials in the prosecution of Italian
criminals, and the attack is thought to have
been made in revenge.

Law and Equity Court.

Suits instituted yesterday: L. H. Jenkins
vs. G. W. Lambert for \$4,000; W. M. Burr
vs. Postal Telegraph Company for \$100; W.
H. Hayes, Jr., vs. Western Union Telegraph
Company for \$100; Burgard Bros. Com-
pany vs. J. D. Clotier for \$200.

Refused to Pay Fare.

Richard Carter was arrested last night
on the charge of being disorderly on street car
No. 338 and for refusing to pay his fare.
He was taken in charge by Policeman Vest.

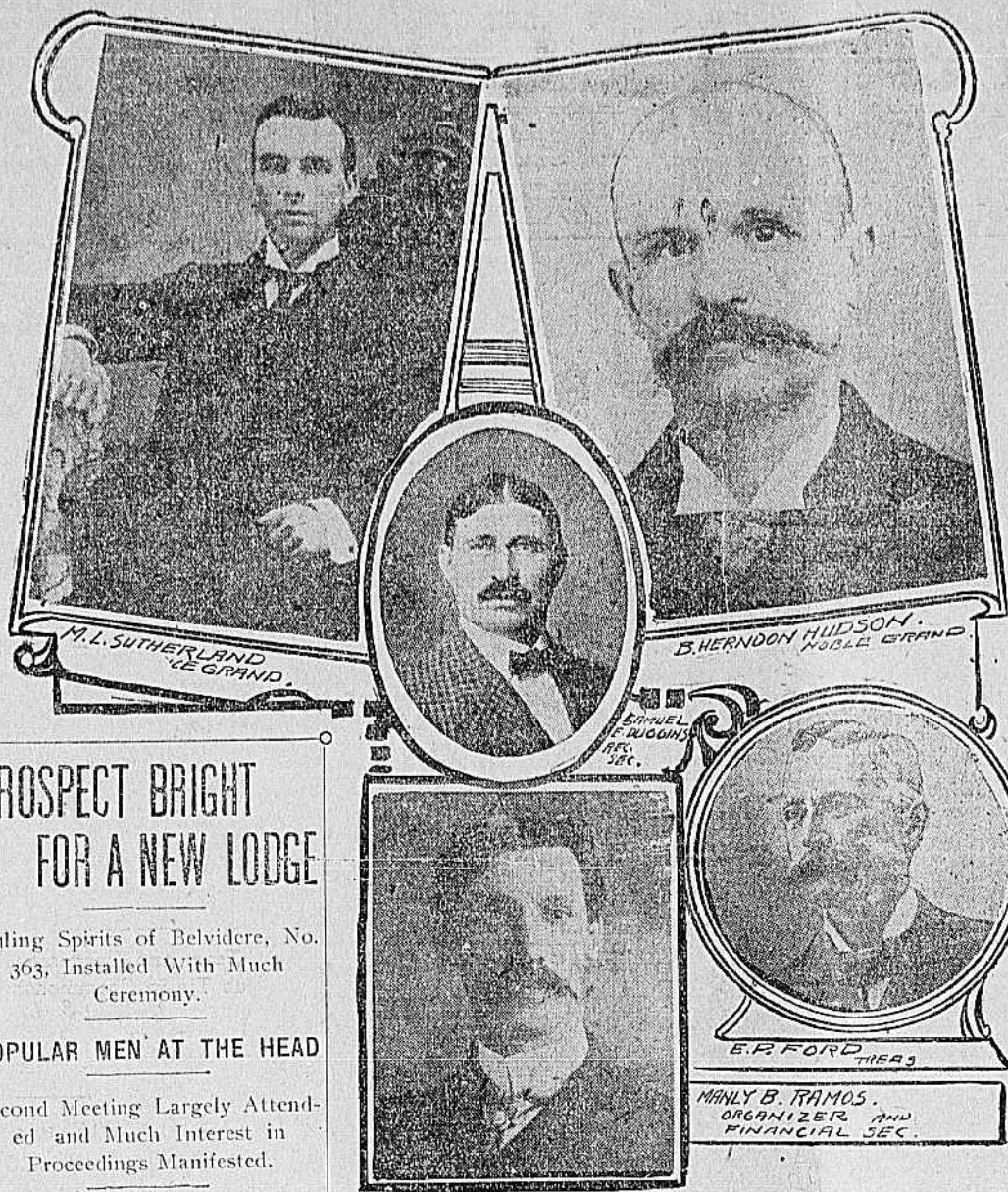
Lacked License.

George Biggs (white) was arrested last
night on a warrant charging him with sell-
ing certain medicines without a license.

Hicks' Capdine Cures

It is not a narcotic or dope but removes
the cause. Get a bottle and try it for
headaches, sour stomach, indigestion,
pains or colds. It's liquid—affects im-
mediately—pleasant to take. Sold at
all drug stores.

OFFICERS OF NEW LODGE OF ODD FELLOWS



PROSPECT BRIGHT FOR A NEW LODGE

Ruling Spirits of Belvidere, No.
303, Installed With Much
Ceremony.

POPULAR MEN AT THE HEAD

Second Meeting Largely Atten-
ded and Much Interest in
Proceedings Manifested.

Belvidere Lodge, I. O. O. F., the
youngest of more than 350 lodges in
Virginia, held its second meeting Fri-
day night. The attendance was good.
Despite the rain, the hall was filled
with members and the new candidates
who were unavoidably absent from the
previous meeting.

All the officers were installed by the
organizer, Mr. Manly B. Ramos, P. G.
P. and P. G. R. of Virginia. The lodge
decided to purchase a full regalia, and
much enthusiasm was created by the
offer of a leading member to provide
the entire cash needed for this pur-
pose. Past Grand Master W. H. Bailey
conferred on the lodge upon a class
of young men, and he was assisted by
L. H. Drew, P. G.; A. C. Creekmore,
P. B. Binford and other visiting Odd
Fellows.

Three trustees were elected, viz: Dr.
R. L. L. Williams, John B. Rabineau and
E. W. Blakey. A fine speech upon the
importance of the lodge and the higher
branches of Odd-Fellowship was made by Mr.
Drew. By unanimous consent the
lodge decided to hold its weekly meet-
ings on Friday night in the same hall,
at No. 215 West Broad Street.

The Officers.

Mr. Manly B. Ramos, the financial
secretary of the lodge, was originally
a member of Richmond Lodge, I. O. O. F.
He is an Odd-Fellow of years' stand-
ing, having served as grand pa-
triar of the State, and also two
years as supreme representative to the
Sovereign Grand Lodge. He is a mem-
ber of the Maccabees, Royal Arcanum
and other fraternal orders, and is well
known as an organizer.

Mr. E. P. Ford, treasurer, is a promi-
nent contractor and builder of this
city. For years he has been a leading
dealer and also a member of the Su-
preme Grove of the United States and
Grand Grove of Virginia.

Recording Secretary Samuel E. Dug-
gins is a merchant, and has resided in
the city for twenty years. Mr. Dug-
gins is a member of the Elks and He-
pion, and takes a lively interest in
affairs pertaining to secret orders.

Mr. B. H. Hudson, noble grand of the
lodge, is well known in the city as a
composer and proofreader and a fran-
cely man generally. He has ripe
experience as a "presiding officer" and
speaker, and has the rare advantage of
a retentive memory, seldom calling for
a ritual in his assistance.

Mr. M. L. Sutherland, vice-grand, is
a native of Dickenson county, Va. He
has been a resident of the city for the
past ten years, and a leading member
for years of the Grand Grove of
Druids. His election to the present
position was unanimous, and his past
experience in his most admirably as a
presiding officer.

HAYMAKERS MEET AND ELECT OFFICERS

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, VA., August 10.—The
National Haymakers' Association of
the United States, the social organiza-
tion of the Improved Order of Red
Men, met here to-day in fourteenth
annual convention, and 125 delegates
were present.

John W. Cherry, of Norfolk, past
grand incharge of the Red Men, made
an address. This was responded to
by Joseph E. Nowery, of New Jer-
sey. The National Chief Haymaker
reported that fifty-five new associa-
tions had been instituted during the
past year, and the total membership
of the association is now approxi-
mately 45,000, an increase of 8,000
during the year.

The following officers were elect-
ed: National Chief Haymaker, H. C.
Kline, of Pennsylvania; National Vice
Chief Haymaker, C. E. Nobes, of
Indiana; Past National Chief Hay-
maker, Joseph T. Summers, of New
York; National Collector of Straws,
Mablon Traubhauser, National Keeper
of Bundles, Lewis Schroeder, of Penn-
sylvania; National Chief Inspector, H.
A. Haller, of Indiana; Chief Super-
visor, George W. Staus, National
Guard of the Hay Loft, G. J. Ed-
wards, of New Jersey; National Quar-
ter of the Barn Door, W. H. Huffnir,
New York.

The association adjourned to-night.
It will meet next year in Atlantic
City.

PETERSBURG IN NEED OF REFORM

Sentiment Growing Among the
People That Certain Charter
Changes Are Desirable.

MAN'S UNUSUAL ACCIDENT

Falls on Sidewalk and Breaks
Leg in Two Places—Bishop
Keiley Preaches.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PETERSBURG, VA., August 10.—
James Walton, colored, was the vic-
tim of a somewhat remarkable acci-
dent on Union Street this morning,
from the effects of which he will be
laid up for weeks. Walton has for
some time suffered from rheumatism
in his left leg, which had considerably
weakened that member. As he was
walking along the sidewalk this morn-
ing he stumbled and fell. The sick
leg was caught in such a position un-
der the body that both bones were
broken above the ankle, the ends pro-
truding through the skin. The unfor-
tunate man was hurried to the hos-
pital.

At the approaching term of the Cir-
cuit Court of Dinwiddie county, Sen-
ator Charles T. Lassiter, of this city,
will prosecute all criminal cases, of
which there are several. Common-
wealth's Attorney E. J. Epps has not
sufficiently recovered from his spell
of illness to resume his duties. Judge
Epps was nominated for re-election as
Commonwealth's attorney at the re-
cent Democratic primary.

Want Some Reforms.

That some revision of the city's
charter and some reforms in the city's
affairs are needed is evidenced not
only by public opinion in that direc-
tion, but by the fact that the Council
have appointed a joint committee of
the two branches to consider and re-
commend such changes as may be
thought necessary. This committee,
composed as it is of wise and con-
servative men, will go slowly and
cautiously, and its recommendations
will be awaited with interest. The
question of government by com-
mission, or board of control, will be
carefully studied, and other matters
of great interest will be considered.

Norfolk Wants Them.

The chief of police of Norfolk to-
day notified Chief Ragland that two
negro prisoners in the jail here await-
ing indictment for housebreaking are
wanted for sundry serious crimes com-
mitted in that city. The prisoners are
John Williams, alias John Boots, and
Bertha Thomas, alias Lena Flannigan,
both known to police circles in Rich-
mond. They committed robbery in
broad daylight here and tried to escape.
Williams was caught and held by in-
censed negroes. The woman, who was
dressed in man's clothing, ran and
boarded a freight train, and was cap-
tured at Waverly.

Bishop Keiley Preaches To-Day.

Bishop B. J. Keiley, of the Catholic
Diocese of Savannah, Ga., is in the
city, the guest of Rev. Father O'Far-
rell, and will preach at St. Joseph's
Catholic Church. The bishop is a na-
tive of Petersburg, and has many warm
friends here outside of his church.

Mrs. H. T. Morrison, who died this
morning in Richmond, was for many
years a resident of Petersburg, where
relatives and many friends reside. She
is survived by several children and
grandchildren.

The monthly meeting of the Baptist
Sunday School Association of Peters-
burg and vicinity will be held to-mor-
row afternoon in Matoaca. The asso-
ciation embraces the Sunday schools at
Swift Creek, Ettrick and Matoaca, be-
sides those in Petersburg.

Rev. T. C. Whitelhurst, of Northum-
berland county, will address the Sew-
ard Men's Bible Class of the First Bap-
tist Church Sunday morning. Mr. Si-
mon Seward, the teacher of the class,
is in Europe on business.

J. W. Perkinson, a white man, was
sentenced to jail this morning by the

Mayor for ninety days for beating his
wife.

Special services will be held to-
morrow morning in the Second Baptist
Church in celebration of the opening of
the Sunday school room, which has
recently been handsomely improved.

SHIP'S MASTER FATALLY HURT

Captain Muddie, of the Strathord,
Falls Down Companionway,
Buried at Sea.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., August 10.—
The British steamship Strathord,
which arrived in port to-day from
Montevideo, reported that on July 14
the skipper, Captain L. T. Muddie, fell
down a companionway during a storm
off the coast of Brazil, and sustained
injuries from which he died three
days later.

The body was buried at sea on July
18. First Officer W. B. Anderson is
now captain of the ship. The Strathord
sailed from Shanghai, China, for
Newport News, and brought 6,000 tons
of chrome ore, loaded at Nehoue,
New Caledonia. Part of the cargo
will be discharged here and the re-
mainder will go to New York.

MEET AT SEASHORE; PLAN ELOPEMENT

Miss Tinsley, of East Radford,
and Mr. Adams Wed in
Charleston.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

EAST RADFORD, VA., August 10.—
A marriage of much interest here was
celebrated at Charleston, S. C., yester-
day afternoon, when Miss Hontus Ralfe
Tinsley, of East Radford, became the
bride of Mr. Eugene Adams, of Lynch-
burg.

The bride had been with friends at
Ocean View for ten days past, and her
brother, joining her there, the elope-
ment was planned to avoid the for-
malities of wedding at home.

There was no objection to the match
other than the extreme youth of the
couple, she being but seventeen and he
twenty-one. The bride is a handsome
blonde, tall and stately, and the second
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Tins-
ley, of East Radford.

The bridegroom is a young insurance
man of Lynchburg, who will go abroad
soon to introduce an invention of his
own in insurance business methods.
After spending a few days at Aala-
nta, Mr. and Mrs. Adams will make
a tour of the Northern cities and the
Pacific Coast.

WED IN WASHINGTON.

Mr. Ott and Miss Halsey Announce
Their Marriage in a Telegram.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

HARRISONBURG, VA., August 10.—
Mr. G. Houston Ott and Miss Ollie Hal-
sey were married in Washington last
night. A telegram to that effect was
received here to-day. Mr. Ott is a
member of the L. D. Ott Drug Company
and a prominent young business man.
The bride is a member of a well-known
Alabama family and an accomplished
young woman. For the past several
years she has been connected with the
Cox University at College Park, Geor-
gia.

Mr. and Mrs. Ott arrived here to-
night.

FALLING RAIL CATCHER

AND CRUSHES SECTION HAND.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

TAZEWELL, VA., August 10.—
Lewis Whit, a section hand on the N.
& W., was injured seriously at Rich-
mond Church Sunday morning. Mr. Si-
mon Seward, the teacher of the class,
is in Europe on business. It is reported
that Whit will not recover.

NEWS GATHERED FROM SOUTHSIDE

Negro Charged With Shooting
White Man at Crewe Under
Arrest.

BIG WATER TANK BURSTS

Home of Mr. Reynolds Robbed
in Broad Daylight—Per-
sonals and Briefs.

Manchester Bureau, Times-Dispatch.

No. 1102 Hull Street.
One of the most important arrests
of the year was made yesterday
afternoon, when Officer Jarrell, of the
county force, landed Robert Fitzgerald,
colored, wanted on the charge of
feloniously shooting William Short, a
young white man, at Crewe, Va.,
about two weeks ago. Short is now
dangerously ill in a Lynchburg hos-
pital.

The negro had been working at
Blair & Co.'s factory, and a young
man named Phillips, who was also
employed there, and who formerly
lived in Crewe, was the one who
noticed the fugitive. The authorities at Crewe
were notified and Deputy Sheriff and City
Sergeant Dyson came here, together
with Officer Sheffield, of the Atlantic
Coast Line Railroad. Officer Jarrell,
accompanied by the others, went to
upon the main line, where he was placed in
the Manchester jail, where he remained
until train time, when he was taken to
Crewe.

It is said that the feeling against
the negro in Crewe is very high, and
it was rumored that he had been
taken to Petersburg instead of Crewe,
but this was not the case.

A reward of \$250 was offered for
the capture of Fitzgerald, and Hurri-
cane Branch's bounds were put upon
his trail. Owing to this expense,
the amount of the reward was some-
what decreased.

Stands on His Merits.

The statement that it is customary
for the members of the Senate and
House of Delegates to alternate between
Chesapeake and Powhatan counties
was vigorously denied here yesterday.
Mr. D. L. Toney, who represented the
counties mentioned, served in the Leg-
islature two consecutive terms, as did
Captain Hobson, of Powhatan county.
In speaking of the matter, Mr. Pul-
lam, one of the present candidates, said
last night that he was in the race
on his merits, and that he expected
to win.

Tank Bursts.

Considerable excitement was caused
yesterday morning at Sixth and Por-
ter Streets, when one of the twin
tanks which supply the Southern Rail-
road with water burst, and then 40,000
gallons of water in that vicinity. No
one was injured.

The tanks stand on a frame struc-
ture, and are about sixty feet in the
air. They have a capacity of 60,000
gallons each. The tank which hap-
pened to be passing was much fright-
ened when they saw timbers and debris
flying through the air. One man hap-
pened to be close to the tank, and he
was drenched. It is thought that the
hoops on the tank broke, and caused
the container to go to pieces.

These tanks not only supply the
shops, but also the Southern Railway
locomotives. The company will use
the twin tank until the other one can
be repaired. The tanks were put up
about fourteen years ago, and it is
supposed that the iron hoops had be-
come impaired and gave away.

Robbed Home.

The home of Mr. W. E. Reynolds, of
922 Hull Street, was entered on Friday,
and a lock and chain and a hand-
bag were taken from the premises.
The matter has been reported to the
police. Yesterday the bag was found,
but the contents were missing. The
robbery occurred in broad daylight.

News Briefs and Personals.

Mrs. George E. Hall, of 1234 Buch-
anan Street, is quite sick at her home.
Judge and Mrs. Walter A. Watson
are at Martha's Vineyard.

Dr. F. H. Hancock, of Norfolk, is
visiting Mrs. A. Royall at Forest Hill.
Miss Eliza Ingram and Miss Ethel
Smith are the guests of Mrs. R. G.
Wood in Chesterfield. They are at-
tending a house party.

Miss Kate May, of Henderson, left
yesterday for her home, accompanied
by Miss Lang and Miss Irene Allen,
who have been the guests of Miss An-
nie Du Val.

Mr. and Mrs. John Topin, of Atlanta,
Ga., are visiting their sister, Mrs.
Samuel Richards, 1117 Porter Street.

Mrs. David Walker, Mrs. W. J. Carter
and son will return home next Thurs-
day from Bon Air, where they spent
the last month.

Mrs. Albert Mayo, of Petersburg, is
visiting her sister, Mrs. Charles Thorn-
ton.

Miss Ruth Smith, of Clover, Va., is
the guest of Mrs. A. T. Atwell.

Mrs. A. C. Harding, who has been
very sick at her home on Bainbridge
Street, with malarial fever, is im-
proving.

Mrs. Ashbrook and family, of Four-
teenth and Perry Streets, left yester-
day for Keyville to spend the month
of August.

Mrs. Mary and Nannie Vaden re-
turned Friday from Middleburg, where
they spent the week delightfully.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Du Val and fam-
ily will leave to-day for Norfolk and
the exposition.

Mr. Arthur Harrison and Mr. Royall
Pendley left Friday for Ocean View to
spend several days.

Mr. A. D. Shotwell, who has been
seriously ill in William Byrd Hospi-
tal, is better. He spent a restful
night.

Mr. Robert Young, of 1108 Semmes



Temporarily Located in the Old Bijou Building

Selling Out

The balance of our stock before moving
back to First and Broad Streets.

Here Are Some Extra Specials

Men's \$15.00 and \$18.00 Summer and Win-
ter-Weight Suits, double and single-breasted
styles, in a variety of fabrics, now going at... **\$9.85**

\$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50 Straw Hats \$1.25
\$3.50 and \$4.00 Shoes and Oxfords..... \$2.45
15c Fancy Sox now going at..... 10c
1.00 Fancy Negligee Shirts 79c
25c Fancy Lisle Sox 17c
25c Fancy Four-in-Hands 17c
25c Gauze Underwear 19c

Big Cut in Boys' Clothes

Boys' and Children's \$3.50 Woolen Suits now \$1.95
Boys' and Children's \$4.00 Woolen Suits now \$2.45

Children's Wash Suits

75c and 89c Wash Suits now 39c
\$1.00 and \$1.50 Wash Suits now 69c
\$2.00 and \$2.50 Wash Suits now \$1.45

Children's Straw Sailors

\$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00 Straw Sailors now... \$1.29
\$1.00 and \$1.50 Straw Sailors now..... 65c
50c and 75c Straw Sailors now..... 29c
25c and 35c Straw Sailors now..... 19c

Boys' Knee Pants

Boys' 50c Corduroy Pants now 23c
Boys' 75c Woolen Pants now 45c
Boys' \$1.00 Woolen Pants now..... 69c

Street, left yesterday afternoon for
Dubuque, Ia., to visit his mother. He
has been gone about two months.
Mr. Pierce, with his family, of Char-
lotte, N. C., has moved to Manchester
and is located at 1106 Semmes Street.

Miss Blanche Hague, of Marx Addition,
is ill in her home with malarial
fever.

Mr. Joseph Clary is ill in his home,
1504 Hull Street.

Mrs. Alice Moore, of Swansboro,
underwent an operation recently in
Memorial Hospital. She is said to be
in a critical condition, with little
hope for her recovery.

Mr. Russell Turner, of this city, who
some time ago, accompanied by his
family, went to Denver, Col., on ac-
count of his health, has returned to
the city and is much improved. His
family is spending some time near
Charlottesville.

Onelda Miller and Gladys Brill, both
white women, who were arrested Fri-
day by Officer Waymack, were before
the Mayor yesterday morning, and
each was fined \$20 and costs for fast
driving and disorderly conduct. They
paid the fine after pleading guilty
and went their way.

Henry Marshall, a young white
man, was before the Mayor, charged
with deserting from the United States
receiving ship Franklin. He will be
held until the officers of the ship can
be heard from